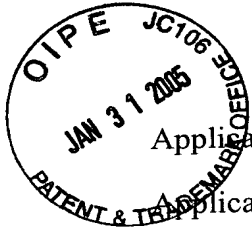


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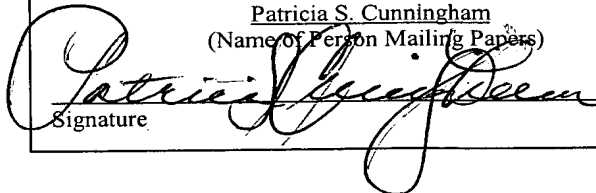
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

The Applicants request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on November 26, 2004, and the period set for response was one month, bringing the response to be due December 26, 2004. A one-month extension of time will bring the response due on January 26, 2005.

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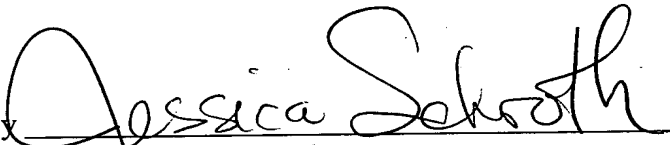
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A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the extension fee. A response to the Office Action is filed concurrently herewith.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two (2) copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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